GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DD AIR KENDRAS IN BODO TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government have any proposal to set up few more number of new AIR Stations and Doordarshan Kendras in Bodo-Tribal dominated areas within the Bodoland Territory particularly in Indo-Bhuatan bordering areas;

(b) if so, the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a), (b) & (c) : At present, a Low Power Transmitter (LPT) of Doordarsharat Satrasal in Dhubri District is under implementation. Additional Doordarshan projects for Bodo Tribal dominated areas are envisaged under the proposed Special NE package. These areas are well covered by radio signals of All India Radio from the Stations at Kokrajhar, Dhubri and Guwahati in Assam, Silliguri in West Bengal, Gangtok in Sikkim and Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh. In addition, one FM Transmitter is planned at Bomdilla in Arunachal Pradesh.